

NEWTON-IN-BOWLAND PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of meeting held 4th June 2015 in Newton-in-Bowland Village Hall

PRESENT: - Cllr R Whitaker (chairman), Cllr M Beattie, Cllr J Bennett, Cllr B Dixon and Cllr R Thornber
Mrs S Pinder (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: - Cllr D Smith and Cllr R Elms

MINUTES: - Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated, read and approved

MATTERS ARISING:-

CAR PARK SIGNS

Cllrs Dixon and Beattie to put these up

QAUKER GRAVEYARD

Clerk has contacted Dave Padley. He is to arrange to have the tree stumps cut down and have the roots sprayed to prevent regrowth.

CENTENARY TREE

Clerk to contact Cllr Elms re protection rails

WELL

Clerk to ask the lengthsman to keep the well clean

STONE SIGNS

Clerk had no response from Michael Rayson re signs. Clerk to contact UU to see if they would be willing to donate towards them.

GRASS CUTTINGS

Clerk has had confirmation that RVBC are responsible for the weeds spraying along the green curb sides. This has normally been done 3 times a year but due to cutbacks this will only be done once this year. Alan Boyer (RVBC) has confirmed that should the weeds are really taking hold they would come out and spray if requested to do so by the parish council.

INSURANCE

The annual renewal is due. It was not felt necessary to change anything

ACCOUNTS

EXPENDITURE

Namesco website feast

Newton Village Hall

Steven Speak 2 payments

SJ Pinder

Slaidburn Parish Council monies owed re lengthsman

RVBC re grass cuttings

INCOME

RVBC precept £2500

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk assessment considered and no changes to be made

ANNUAL AUDIT

Accounts circulated and agreed. Signed by Cllr Whitaker. Diane Parker to carry out the internal audit

PLANNING

3/2014/0927 MARL HILL BARN

Replacement of 2 front, first floor, circular, timber windows with a transom rail one third/two thirds opening with 2 new circular, timber windows without transom rail, fully opening approved with conditions

3/2015/0057 The Heaning

Under cover parking and storage – Approved with conditions

3/2015/0079 East View

Proposed structural works to existing dwelling to prevent building falling into further disrepair – approved with conditions

3/2015/0078 The Cottage

Change of use of first floor from garage/store to annex
No decision made

3/2015/0208

Outline application for a single dwelling with all matters reserved except access. Land adjacent Village Hall

3/2015/0352

FORMER PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Demolition of former public convenience and erection of single storey detached garage/store for residential use. No Objections

3/2015/0330 Show Building

Storage building for use in the Hodder Valley Show. – No objections

LENGTHSMAN

Bowland Forest (Higher) Division are to join with the lengthsman scheme. Steven Speak has been offered 4.5 hours per week. Rachel Carr will pass monies to clerk for the annual contract.

CORRESPONDENCE

Literature sent through for wheelie bin stickers for speed awareness. Councillors decided to take it no further.

HIGHWAYS

BULL LANE

Confirmation received from LCC that works are due to take place between 17th and 19th June.

FELL ROAD

Confirmation that the Fell Road is to be closed on 10th 3th and 14th July for repairs.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

LITTLE GREEN BUS

Following on from the joint parish council meeting, clerk has contacted the company and they are unable to attend a meeting without prior consent from LCC. Clerk has emailed John Fillis to gain consent but as yet has not heard anything. More information to be sought from the company.

WINTER GRITTING

David Cowking has confirmed that he has to submit an annual tender for the gritting. He has not yet received his application form and does not expect to get it until August or get an answer until September /October.

FOOTPATH FROM HYDES TO COLLEGE COTTAGES

Footpath has become overgrown with grass. Clerk to contact LCC to see if this can be cleared away. Failing that the lengthsman be instructed to spray.

FOOTPATH ALONGSIDE THE BRIDGE

Due to flooding the steps from the road to the field have become dangerous. Clerk to advise LCC that this is very dangerous.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday 16th September 2015 at 7.30pm in Newton Village Hall